

**PALMDALE RECYCLED WATER AUTHORITY (PRWA)**

**MINUTES OF JANUARY 22, 2019  
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA NO. 45  
PALMDALE RECYCLED WATER AUTHORITY (PRWA)  
HELD AT CITY OF PALMDALE  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER  
38300 SIERRA HIGHWAY, SUITE B  
PALMDALE, CALIFORNIA  
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**1. CALL TO ORDER.**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

**3. ROLL CALL: CHAIR AUSTIN BISHOP AND DIRECTORS KATHY MAC  
LAREN, VINCENT DINO, JUAN CARRILLO, AND HELEN  
VELADOR**

Director Bettencourt served as alternate in place of Director Bishop who was not present, and Director Alvarado served as alternate for Director Mac Laren who was not present.

**PRESENT:** Directors Carrillo, Dino, Velador, Bettencourt, and Alvarado

**ABSENT:** Director Bishop and Director Mac Laren

**Motion:** Move to excuse the absence of Directors Bishop and Mac Laren.  
Moved by Director Bettencourt, seconded by Director Alvarado.

**Vote:** Motion Carried (5-0)

**Yes:** Directors Carrillo, Dino, Velador, Bettencourt, and Alvarado

**4. APPOINTMENT:**

- 4.1 Approve the appointment of Helen Velador as Public Member Director for a one-year renewable term to expire in January of 2020. (Staff Reference: Executive Director LaMoreaux)

There was no staff report for this item.

Public Comments: None.

**Motion:** Move to appoint Helen Velador as the Public Member Director.  
Moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Dino.

**Vote:** Motion Carried (5-0)

**Yes:** Directors Carrillo, Dino, Velador, Bettencourt, and Alvarado

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR – PUBLIC COMMENTS ONLY:**

Public Comments: None.

**6. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- 6.1 Approve the Minutes from the previous meeting held on November 19, 2018 (7pm). (Staff Reference: Authority Secretary Smith)

- 6.2 Approve receipt and filing of the Treasurer's Report for the ten months ending October 31, 2018. (Staff Reference: Treasurer-Auditor Williams)

**Motion:** Move to approve the recommendations and findings on all items listed under this Consent Calendar by one vote.

Moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Dino.

**Vote:** Motion Carried (5-0)

**Yes:** Directors Carrillo, Dino, Velador, Bettencourt, and Alvarado

**7. ACTION CALENDAR:**

- 7.1 Election of Chair and Vice Chair pursuant to Article 4.10 of the Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement for a one-year term to expire in January of 2020. (Staff Reference: Executive Director LaMoreaux)

There was no staff report for this item.

Director Alvarado spoke regarding this item and nominated Director Carrillo as Chair, and Director Dino as Vice Chair.

Public Comments: None.

**Motion:** Move to appoint Director Carrillo as Chair, and Director Dino as Vice Chair for a one-year term to expire in January of 2020.

Moved by Director Alvarado, seconded by Director Velador.

**Vote:** Motion Carried (5-0)

**Yes:** Directors Carrillo, Dino, Velador, Bettencourt, and Alvarado

- 7.2 Authorization for the Public Member Director to attend the 2019 WateReuse California Annual Conference on March 17 - 19, 2019 in Garden Grove. (Staff Reference: Executive Director LaMoreaux)

There was no staff report for this item.

Public Comments: None.

**Motion:** Move to approve authorizing the Public Member Director to attend the 2019 WateReuse California Annual Conference in Garden Grove.

Moved by Director Dino, seconded by Director Alvarado.

**Vote:** Motion Carried (5-0)

**Yes:** Directors Carrillo, Dino, Velador, Bettencourt, and Alvarado

**8. NON-AGENDA ITEMS - PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Public Comments: None.

**9. REQUESTS FOR NEW AGENDA ITEMS:**

Director Alvarado spoke about not being sworn in as Alternate Director. Board Clerk Smith stated that both Alternate Director Alvarado and Alternate Director Bettencourt will be sworn in at the next meeting.

Director Velador requested a list of upcoming conferences. She mentioned an upcoming Ethics Webinar that she would like to attend.

Executive Director LaMoreaux stated that he would bring an updated list of conferences to the next meeting.

Chair Carrillo requested an update on the Littlerock Dam project. Executive Director LaMoreaux stated that progress on the project has been affected by the recent rains.

Chair Carrillo also asked for an update on the Amargosa Creek project. Assistant Executive Director Heffernan stated that the project is moving forward as scheduled.

Chair Carrillo asked for a list of grants that the Authority could apply for.

Chair Carrillo would also like to start a conversation about moving the meetings to Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. Authority Attorney Ditzhazy stated that the meeting time cannot be discussed tonight, but it can be brought back to a future meeting.

**10. INFORMATIONAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.**

Director Velador completed the Water Ambassadors program and attended a workshop on drought tolerant plants on October 27, 2018.

Director Bettencourt stated that Antelope Valley College offers a class about drought tolerant plants.

Director Alvarado spoke regarding Palmdale Water District approved trainings, seminars, and webinars some of which will be available free of charge. The list of California Special Districts Association trainings, seminars, and webinars is available at Palmdale Water District.


**11. ADJOURNMENT.**

Executive Director LaMoreaux spoke regarding canceling the upcoming meeting, or possibly adjourning the meeting to a different date due to upcoming President's Day holiday on February 18, 2019.


Assistant Executive Director Heffernan spoke regarding \$18.8 million State Proposition 1 grant funds. He stated that we are advocating for the Phase II pipeline to be a part of the award list. Chair Carrillo asked about the location of the dispensing units and if they were included as part of the Phase II project. Executive Director LaMoreaux replied that the dispensing units are separate from the Phase II project. He stated that we are still trying to secure sites and working with the Sanitation District to change the policy with Lahontan so that they are considered an acceptable use.

Chair Carrillo adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 2019.

  
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Juan Carrillo  
Chair

ATTEST:

  
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Rebecca J. Smith,  
Secretary